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TO AMEMBASSY BELGRADE

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FOR WORTZEL FROM ANDREWS

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: OFFICIAL/INFORMAL

1. THE SECOND TITO-CARTER MEETING WAS VERY CORDIAL, PERHAPS EVEN BETTER THAN THE FIRST. TOPICS WERE US-SOVIET RELATIONS, SALT AND RELATED ISSUES (MINIC GAVE A PRESENTATION ON SOVIET DISAPPOINTMENT OVER DETENTE); NONALIGNMENT, INCLUDING THE OBJECTIVES OF THE KABUL AND BELGRADE MEETINGS AND CUBAN ROLE IN THE MOVEMENT; SOUTHERN AFRICA, AND FINALLY A SHORT EXCHANGE ON THE NEUTRON BOMB, WHICH SECRETARY BROWN WILL FOLLOW UP. WE DO NOT YET HAVE READOUTS ON THE PRIVATE DINNER WITH HARRIMAN, THE MEETING WITH CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS OR THE MEETING WITH KISSINGER. WE ARE NOW DOING A WRAP-UP CABLE.

2. COMMERCE SUPPORT FOR YUGOSLAVIA. AMBASSADOR MET WITH WEIL ON MARCH 2 TO KEEP WEIL INTERESTED IN YUGOSLAVIA AND
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TO MAKE SURE THAT THOSE UNDER HIM GOT MESSAGE. WITH KATZ, BILINSKI AND BED REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT, AMBASSADOR THANKED WEIL FOR COMMERCE'S SUPPORT FOR ZAGREB FALL FAIR BUT COMPLAINED THAT EMBASSY HAD RECEIVED NO FEEDBACK FROM REPORTS ON FIELD TRIPS. WEIL PROCEEDED TO REAM OUT ALL HIS TROOPS FOR THEIR CONSERVATIVE ATTITUDE IN FOLLOWING UP TRADE AND INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES AND GAVE A CLEAR SIGNAL

THAT HE WANTED BETTER PERFORMANCE FOR BELGRADE. (INTERESTINGLY, KATZ NOTED THAT IT WAS OFFICIAL COMMERCE POLICY TO BE "NEUTRAL" TOWARD ANY INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES -- I.E., NEITHER TO SUPPORT NOR TO OPPOSE. WEIL APPEARED TO BRUSH THAT ASIDE AND HINTED THAT EXCEPTIONS ARE OCCASIONALLY MADE.) AMBASSADOR ALSO REMINDED WEIL THAT HE WANTED HIM OUT IN YUGOSLAVIA FOR OPENING OF ZAGREB FALL FAIR, AND WEIL PROMISED TO TRY. AMBASSADOR CAN PROVIDE ACCOUNT OF HIS SUBSEQUENT TETE-A-TETE WITH WEIL ON COMMERCE REORGANIZATION. (KATZ, BY THE WAY, HAS JUST LEFT COMMERCE AND STAN MARCUS WILL REPLACE HIM.)

3. MACESIC VISIT TO BELGRADE. PLEASE ALERT EVANS THAT PROFESSOR MACESIC OF FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY PLANS TO BE IN BELGRADE (AT METROPOL) MARCH 14-17 AND WAS TOLD THAT AMBASSADOR WOULD BE WILLING TO SEE HIM. SINCE IT NOW TURNS OUT THAT AMBASSADOR WILL NOT BE BACK UNTIL AROUND MARCH 18, SUGGEST EVANS TRY TO CONTACT HIM OR LEAVE WORD WITH AMBASSADOR'S OFFICE.

4. FOR EVANS FROM HIS WIFE. PLEASE LET ME KNOW HOW LONG YOU'LL BE IN WASHINGTON DURING UPCOMING VISIT. VANCE

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